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REV. ELMER ARNOLD

The Vigo County Branch of the Association for Childhood Education International will hear a discussion of "The Needs and Goals of the Southside Day Nursery," by the Rev. Elmer Arnold at a meeting set for 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the west ballroom of the Tirey Memorial Union Building, Indiana State University.

In keeping with its theme "Action Between The Community and Educators," the association will present a pumping heart model for use in classroom demonstration to the school that has the highest percentage of teachers in the association. Also at the meeting, the Federation of Jewish Women will present an assortment of new and used children's clothing collected through their Clothes Closet.

Refreshments will be served prior to the meeting by the ISU student branch of the Association for Childhood Education.

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CLEARING SITE FOR NEW NURSERY — Volunteer workers, clearing land on which a new South Side Day Nursery will be built, pause from their task to pose for the photographer. Several union locals and industrial and business firms are donating their services to the United Fund agency's project in the 1400 block of South 13th Street. Manning the bulldozer is Fred Cox, International Union of Operating Engineers Local 841. Others working on the project were (from left) Harold Earls, Teamsters Union Local 144; Jack Dennis, owner of Dennis Trucking and Excavating Co.; Gilbert Bosworth, business agent for the Engineers local; Ora Williams, Laborers Union of North America Local 204; Mrs. Allen Parks, president of the nursery board; Jim Williams, business agent for the Teamsters local; Earl Vandiver, Teamsters local, and Charles Harris, Engineers local. Photo by Martin.

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UF Southside Day Nursery Helpful

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the 14th article in a series on the 25 United Fund agencies as seen by Terre Haute high school students. North Vigo student Anita Fields visited the Southside Day Nursery.

By ANITA FIELDS

In a classroom - playroom atmosphere, pre-school-aged children learn to play and cooperate with adults and other children, to be unselfish, and to be polite and considerate of others.

Play equipment, swings, a jungle, gym, sand box, and tricycles as well as educational records, books and art and handicraft supplies are provided to enrich basic counting and reading skills and exercise developing young bodies while providing several hours of entertainment and enjoyment.

A well-balanced hot lunch, as well as a mid-morning and afternoon snack, is served.

The setting is the Southside Day Nursery, 1320 S. 13½ St.

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Founded in 1908 by Mrs. Melissa Bishop and Miss Lena Read-

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PRE-SCHOOLERS PLAY AND LEARN — United Fund teen reporter Anita Fields, left, talks with Mrs. Allen Guy, right, executive director of the Southside Day Nursery at 1320 S. 13½ St., about the program and activities as the pre-schoolers attending carry on their activities. (Photo by House of Photography)

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ing, the purpose of the nursery is to provide a day care center for the children of working mothers of the entire community. It offers year - round service, Monday through Friday and is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Eligibility requirements are not strict. Children must be between the ages of three and five years. A doctor's statement of the child's, health, listing vaccinations and childhood diseases, must be submitted before acceptance. Although there is no resident nurse, a doctor is on call.

The amount parents are required to pay differs for each family. A sliding scale which bases payments on the amount of family income is used to determine payment.

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In 1924, the nursery was in-was supported by donations of interested persons and the small fee charged the parents for services rendered in 1910, the Welfare League offered support. The city of Terre Haute also gave support in the amount of $300 per year.

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In 1924, the nursery was incorporated by the State Board of Charities. In the early 1930's, the Community Fund (the present United Fund) began allocating funds to the nursery.

Since that time, labor unions, fraternities, sororities and civic service clubs have all donated service on the program, planning, building, and finance committees of the nursery board of directors.

The nursery is presently staffed by four persons. Among the qualifications for employment are a love and understanding of children.

They already have used advances up to that point.

At a news conference Monday, the governor said "The membership of the General Assembly who talked to me about it indicated they felt until the Gary schools took action to actually reduce costs of operation more in line with costs of other schools, they are not willing to take action."

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Monday's House vote followed an effort in that first day of the 1972 session in which Sen. Adam Benjamin Jr., D-Gary, first tried in vain to obtain support for a suspension of rules to pass bills that would aid the Gary school system.

Gary resident Jeanne C. Shiras, head of the Coalition to Save Our Schools, and Sandra Irons, president of Gary Local 4 of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, expressed

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EDUCATORS LEND SUPPORT—The programs at Southside Day Nursery has the support of numerous authorities in the field of childhood education. Mrs. Allen Parks, center, president of the Southside Board of Directors, is shown with representatives of the Association for Childhood Education, who toured the nursery and presented a check to the building program. Left is Miss Millie Vaugh, president, and Marjorie Cowherd, vice president, nurseries. Photo by Martin.

Educators Say Training At Day Nursery is Good

By MARY ANNE PIERCE
Tribune Staff Writer

Day care is an important kind of experience necessary for early childhood development.

Dr. Ruth Runke and Dr. Jan McCarthy, professors at Indiana State University, share the opinion of most educators that centers operated like Southside Day Nursery provide one of the finest services to a community.

Between the ages of three and five, children are in a state of physical and emotional development that requires activities that meet their needs. Southside Day Nursery does this, according to many experts in the field.

According to Dr. Runke, Southside is living proof of what can be done in the area of day care centers regardless of limited resources. Construction of a building that will accommodate between 50 and 75 children will be a great asset to the community. A 1966 survey taken by the nursery board indicated that if the center were able to care for 100 children and permit parents to work, it would save the taxpayers between $25,000 and $30,000 by removing them from the welfare roles.

Very often tragic conditions exist in day care centers not licensed by state agencies. Children are left in the care of adults who aren't interested in their well being or are not trained to give proper attention to the child's needs, according to Dr. McCarthy. Because the parents receive a low income they cannot afford better nursery care centers.

Dr. McCarthy cited one center where children are cared for in a damp basement with only one exit and another where the very young children are kept in playpens with plywood tops, much like caged animals, as examples of poor conditions.

This is not the case in centers licensed by the state as Southside Day Nursery is. It is one of only 40 centers among the hundreds around the state that meet state requirements for licensing.

Dr. Runke said Southside and other properly operated centers give the child the opportunity to learn to live in a group and extends experiences within his environment that allow him to have various learning experiences and exploration of materials, objects and equipment that he might not have used before.

Mrs. Lois Johnston, a Head-start teacher at Rankin School, finds that nursery center training gives the child a steady emotional environment where an adult remains the same at all times.

Often, this is not the case in the child's home, especially for the disadvantaged child. Through the teacher's stability, the child achieves an emotional balance and learns to lean on the nursery teacher, according to her.

Language development at the nursery level, according to Mrs. Johnston, is another asset. Very often the child speaks an en- If language is developed in nursery centers, the child is better prepared to face school, educators have pointed out.

Mrs. Johnston said the advantages for the kindergarten teacher who receives children from a nursery center environment include: (1) not having a crying child on her hands, but one who has become accustomed to strange surroundings and adults earlier; (2) a child who knows how to dress, feed himself and has formed bathroom habits earlier; (3) a child who has learned how to listen. Disadvantaged children very often have learned by age five to tune out others and not listen, according to Mrs. Johnston. The child who comes from a large family where a number of people are constantly talking at him, not with him, has to be taught how to lisen. If the child is placed in a day care center with someone who is qualified he learns to listen before entering kindergarten. She stressed listening as well as learning to make social adjustments as the two most important benefits to both the child and the teacher.

Three to five, the age when nursery care can be provided is a crucial age, according to her. "At that point you can reach both the child and his parents and help them," she said.

With these views in mind, the board of directors at Southside continues to push ahead the plans for a new and larger center to "help the children help themselves."

A DAY AT THE NURSERY—Tiny tots between three and five concentrate over a puzzle during free play time at the Southside Day Nursery. Children like this trio are cared for in warm, clean surroundings, given good meals and experience early learning through the efforts of a very dedicated group of citizens. Photo by Martin.

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TWOFOLD BENEFITS—Not only do Indiana State University seniors have the opportunity to develop their classroom techniques at Southside Day Nursery, they also bring learning experiences to the children. Clustered around two ISU elementary majors, the children watch intently as the two students distribute materials for a work project. Photo by Martin.

ISU Students Spend 2 Hrs. Weekly at Day Care Nursery

Editor's Note: Third in a series of articles concerning the Southside Day Nursery. Indiana State University seniors share learning experiences with the young children enrolled at the school.

By MARY ANNE PIERCE
Tribune Staff Writer

An informal program established through Indiana State University classes in early childhood education is an asset to the Southside Day Nursery and its enrollees.

Senior students, with numerous laboratory and classroom teaching experiences behind them, are required to spend two hours per week at Southside. Many of them devote much of their free time to the nursery also.

Being at the day care center helps the students to develop their own teaching skills and gives them an opportunity to become involved individually with the nursery program.

Students are asked to complete various projects a the nursery by their ISU professors, according to Dr. Ruth Runke, professor of education, including art, music and games. They record why they are doing a particular project, first from the viewpoint of the child and how he enjoys it. Secondly, they record how the project assists the development of their own teaching skills.

All of the students will soon be licensed teachers themselves and Southside gives them one more type of experience before they have a class of their own. They go to the nursery after working at the laboratory school.

According to another professor at the university, students who normally resent any extra work outside of regular class assignments look forward to going to the nursery and nelping with the children.

The university students assist the children with language development, observe them as part of a group and individually. They use a variety of materials and equipment at the nursery.

On the whole, the program prepares them for the day when they, too, will be teachers and makes them aware of what they can do to help meet the needs of so many youngsters like the children at Southside.

Next: An educator's view of day care centers.

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Activities Are Numerous At Southside Day Nursery

Editor's Note: The second in a series of articles concerning the Southside Day Nursery.

By MARY ANNE PIERCE

Tribune Staff Writer

A day at Southside Day Nursery begins at 7:45 a.m. Parents deliver their youngsters, between the ages of three and five, to the converted house, 1320 S. 13½ St., on the way to work.

Some of the early arrivals, still drowsy from recent removal from a warm bed, are often given breakfast. Others, arriving at regular time are ready for the first activity of the day. All of the children are left in the hands of a matron and an assistant who are dedicated and concerned with their well being, according to Dr. Jan McCarthy.

Mrs. Corina Edwards, a former primary teacher, serves as director at Southside. Her assistant, Mrs. Inez Uzzel, also serves as cook and housekeeper. They are assisted by Indiana State University seniors, majoring in elementary education, who spend many hours at the nursery as one of the laboratory experiences they receive before beginning to teach.

Early in the morning when the children are fresh and eager to learn they have a variety of planned learning experiences, according to Dr. McCarthy.

Next on the day's agenda is small group activities. With the aid of the ISU students, the children are divided into small groups for singing or story-telling.

Lunch is next. The nursery, licensed by the State Department of Public Welfare, must seek strict requirements. Cycle menus, according to Dr. McCarthy, are provided by the state agency. In this way, the nursery is given menus for 30 different meals to serve that supply the children with the basic food needs. At the end of the month the menus are repeated again, giving the youngsters variety as well as good, nutritious food.

The food budget permits monthly purchases of all food except perishables, which are bought several times a week, according to Dr. McCarthy.

With their tummies full, the youngsters are ready for nap time immediately after lunch. An extended rest time on cots provided in the sleeping area is a part of every day.

When they awaken, it is free time—a time when they are permitted to do what they want under supervision. They can color, draw, play with toys or puzzles until their parents come to get them.

During nice weather, a part of each day is reserved for outside activities. A playground area is provided near the nursery. After school is out, many older brothers and sisters are permitted to wait at the nursery for their parents with the younger children. "This way, Mrs. Parks explained, "we avoid sending a young child home with his six or seven-year-old brother or sister to wait until parents come home and we provide a safe place for the older children as well."

Fruit juice or milk is served to the children two times daily. All children must have all innoculations and booster shots before entering the nursery. They are checked each morning for any symptoms of illness and immediately isolated if they are not in good health.

A sliding scale is used to determine fees for each child. Parents are charged on the basis of their ability to pay. The lowest rate is $2.50 per week for one child. When the second child of a family is taken, the fee increases 10 cents a day, according to Mrs. Parks.

"People who need this service so badly can't afford it at many other places and we are only permitted to take 10 children because of the size of our present building," Mrs. Parks said. "This is why we need to expand our facilities," she added.

"A new building is our greatest need. We are proud of our program and thankful for ISU's help. It (getting a new center) is a slow process but we will not give up."

Appearing next: Indiana State University's role at Southside.

T. H. Day Care Centers

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—Members of the Board of Directors and the teacher for the N. 28th St. Day Care Center were entertained at a tea recently at the home of Sylvia Laska, acting chairman of the board. Present were, seated from left, Marie Eison, vice president; Cleota Waldon, Day Care teacher; Ann Loney, secretary, and Mrs. Laska. Standing, from left, Geraldene Bradford, Daisy W. Fenick, Barbara White, Edith Thigpen, Mrs. Richard L. Rowe, Mrs. Iverson C. Bell and Mrs. F. B. Crichfield. Other board members not present for the picture were: Felix Winston, Shirley Ward, Miss Ruth Deenn, Mrs. Sharon Oliver, Mrs. Nell Elperin, Dr. Jon McCarthy, Mrs. Drew Witham and Mrs. Carole Grass.

Photo by Martin.

EDUCATORS LEND SUPPORT—The programs at Southside Day Nursery has the support of numerous authorities in the field of childhood education. Mrs. Allen Parks, center, president of the Southside Board of Directors, is shown with representatives of the Association for Childhood Education, who toured the nursery and presented a check to the building program. Left is Miss Millie Vaugh, president, and Marjorie Cowherd, vice president, nurseries.

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Plans Advance For Southside Day Nursery

CHILDREN (WU)

Members of the Southside Day Nursery building and program committees met Monday to develop plans for the proposed construction of a new nursery facility.

Blueprints for the building, which will be able to handle 50 to 55 children, have been approved. The proposed site of the building is in the 1400 block of S. 13th St.

Architectural services for the project have been donated by Ewing Miller and Associates.

The shell for proposed building is to be obtained from Stran Steel Corp. and will be a prefabricated metal structure. The building will include a play area of 75 sq. feet per child.

In recent weeks individuals and groups have made contributions toward the funds necessary for securing the building shell. The largest contribution was a $500 check from the Community Foundation of the Wabash Valley.

The present nursery is located at 1320 S. 13½ St. The nursery is equipped to care for 10 children that receive breakfast, hot lunch, snacks, educational and recreational programs.

Mrs. Allen Guy is the director. Officials of the board of directors are Mrs. Allen Parks, president; Mrs. Andre Hammonds, vice president; Mrs. James Kopnisky, secretary, and Mrs. Mary Watson, treasurer.

COMMITTEE MEETS — The building and program committees of the Southside Day Nursery met recently to work on plans for construction of the proposed nursery building. Shown are, from left, front row, Katherine Jones, Jan McCarthy, Mrs. James Kopniskey, Carol McQuery, Ann Mason, and Bessie Parks; back row, Arch R. Dunbar, Rollie L. Ewing, and Ed Schulz, executive director of the Wabash Valley United Fund. Mrs. Kopniskey is in charge of publicity for the building project.

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ISU Students Contribute To Southside Day Nursery

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By WAYNE PERRY

Tribune Staff Writer

In an effort to show that Indiana State University is not an isolated academic island, one of the school's professors added a new requirement to his industrial design class.

Students who took the design course last semester were required to design or build something for a community service organization, according to Roger Vicroy, assistant professor of industrial technology.

Ideas and actual construction for playground equipment at the Southside Day Nursery, Torner Girls' Club, and the ISU Laboratory School were areas in which Vicroy's class worked.

Complaints from Terre Haute residents that "ISU students live in a separate world" led Vicroy to plan a curriculum oriented toward providing his students with practical experience and toward helping the city.

Vicroy stated that the first half of the design course was devoted to the theory of design.

"Then the students became involved in practical design," he continued. The students contacted local people in the area, decided what was needed, and then developed ideas and plans for each facility involved.

At the Southside Day Nursery, one student worked on designing a playground layout design indicating low and high activity levels.

"The group that worked at Southside wanted to deliver something more than paper work," Vicroy observes. "So they constructed two stationary racing cars that had been popular at the facility in the past," he continued.

The section of the class working at Torner Girls' School visited the facility and conducted "brain-storming" sessions with club members. The result was the building of an obstacle course-type jungle gym.

In addition, a multi-level stationary building that includes slides, poles, and climbing areas was designed.

If Vicroy's plans become reality, other industrial technology classes this semester will continue the work at Torner and complete the construction of the planned building with donated materials.

A model of a playground designed by the ISU students was also presented to Lab School Director Dr. Harley M. Lautenschlager.

Vicroy described the model as a "pre-school playground area designed to incorporate a storage area with a play-ramp and other playground items." The design would allow space for a storage building without denying youngsters valuable playground area.

The school director reportedly called the idea "creative." Hopefully, building materials could be made available to make the plans reality.

Students enrolled in Vicroy's class are generally juniors and seniors at ISU majoring in either industrial arts or interior design.

Students in the class who worked on the Southside Day Nursery plans were Connie Patchett, William Ridley, Pamela Woodruff, Anthony Suba, and Terry Rone.

Douglas Nies, George Curry, Barbara Elder, Ronald Montgomery, and Marcia Pett were involved in the Torner Girls' Club plans.

Working on the ISU Laboratory playground project were David Wilson, Philip Reyling, Steven Meeker, Mark Haltom, and Bruce Bush.

Five students in the class worked on a simulated industry program. They included Jerry Elkins, Ed Roll, Robert Helton, Warren Shoemaker, and Taisir Emeish.

AID SOUTHSIDE DAY NURSERY — Students enrolled in an industrial design course at Indiana State University have designed and constructed stationary racing cars for the Southside Day Nursery as part of their class requirements. Adults pictured in the background are Modestine Guy, nursery director; Pam Woodruff, senior in interior design at ISU; Connie Patchett, junior involved in drafting and design at Indiana State; Bill Ridley, industrial arts education senior at ISU, and Linda Maurer, teacher. Martin Photo.

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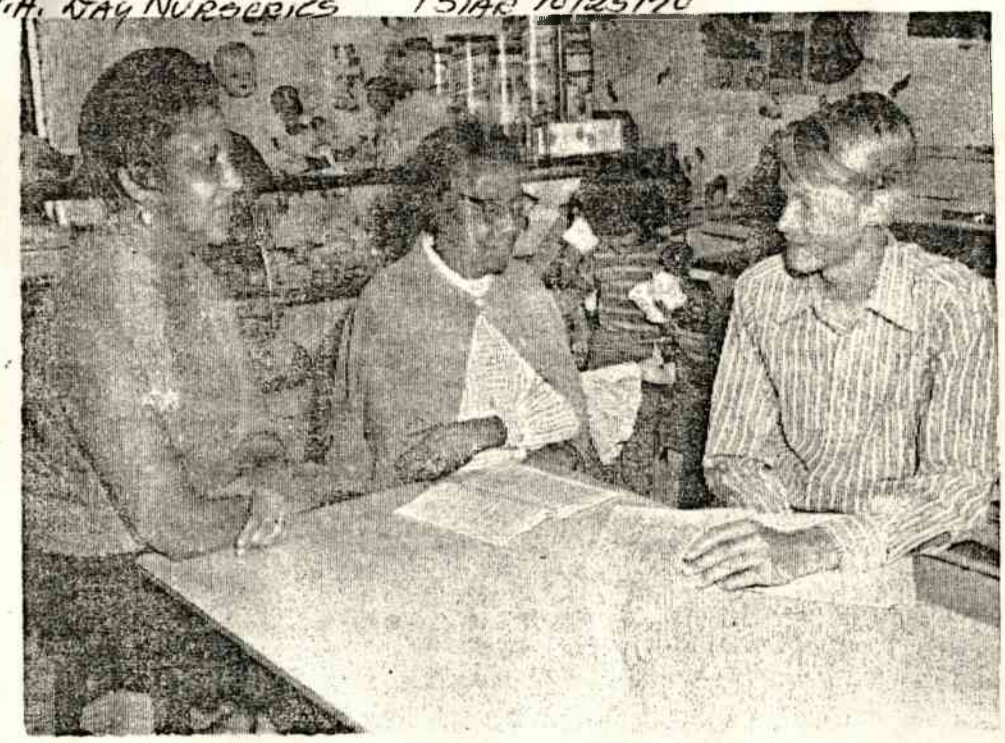

SOUTHSIDE DAY NURSERY—Paul Turnquist, West Vigo High School senior, interviews Mrs. Alan Gary (left) director of the Southside Day Nursery and Mrs. Alan Parks, (center) president of the Board of Directors. The nursery is one of approximately 30 agencies supported by the United Fund. Martin Photo.

South Side Day Nursery Also Receives UF Help

Editor's Note: Paul Turnquist is a West Vigo High School senior who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Turnquist, on Switzer Lane in West Terre Haute. Paul wrote the following article in connection with the United Fund campaign.

By PAUL TURNQUIST

Few people realize that in Terre Haute there are two day care centers. Appropriately named for its location, the Southside Day Nursery, 1320 S. 13½ S., organized in 1908.

Today the nursery takes in 10 children between the ages of three and six. They arrive in the moring and leave usually around 5 p.m. Here they are given a supervised place to play and taught many things such as manners and good habits.

The president of the Board of Directors is Mrs. Alan Parks. Mrs. Alan Gary is the director. Both women are very capable and have a certain quality about them that makes them ideally suited for handling children.

The nursery is licensed by the State Welfare Board. Every year the board works out a budget and then presents it to the United Fund. The United Fund gives its approval and partially finances them.

The parents of the children pay for the service according to their economic ability. No one is refused.

The nursery has had blueprints drawn up for a building with a capacity of 65 to 75 children. This will be built when the necessary funds come in.

The reason for organizing a center stemmed from the fact that many women began to work along with their husbands and they needed a place for the care of their children.

Your support of the United Fund will enable this Center to continue its program.

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FUNDS FOR NURSERY — Sidney Levin, second from right, a member of the Board of Governors of the Community Foundation of the Wabash Valley, is shown presenting a check to representatives of the Southside Day Nursery to help construct a new building. Shown accepting the check are, left to right, Mrs. Dorcas Hammonds, vice president of the Southside Day Nursery; Dr. James E. Conyers, and Mrs. Allen Guy, nursery director. At right, is the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Herbert F. Winterhalter, pastor emeritus of St. Patrick's Church and a member of the foundation's board of governors. The nursery is seeking a total of $5,000 for construction of a new building that will accommodate about 75 children. The present facility is licensed to care for 10 pre-school youngsters.

Community Foundation Aids Southside Nursery

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CHILDREN (NEW)

In a ceremony Monday, members of the board of governors of the Community Foundation of the Wabash Valley presented a check for $500 to representatives of the Southside Day Nursery to be used in the building fund of the nursery.

Next week, the foundation will present another $500 check to the Northside Day Nursery.

The foundation, started with a donation from the late Ben Blumberg, is one formed for the benefit of worthwhile charity in Terre Haute through donations of local citizens.

The Southside Day Nursery has been in existence for about 30 years. It is presently housed in a four-room structure and is licensed for 10 children, but actually cares for about 12 children.

It is funded with $7,000 this year from the United Fund. Its excutive director receives a salary of $4,345, and fees for the care of children are based on a sliding scale.

Blueprints for a proposed new nursery have been drawn by Ewing Miller and Associates, and $5,000 is needed for the new building. Stran-Steel Corp. will donate the shell, and labor is expected to be provided by unions and others.

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Day Care Center Opened in 1908

EDITOR'S NOTE: First in a series of four articles concerning the Southside Day Care Center, a United Fund Agency. The writer will attempt to cover the history of the center, its future, educators' views of such a service and benefits to the children.

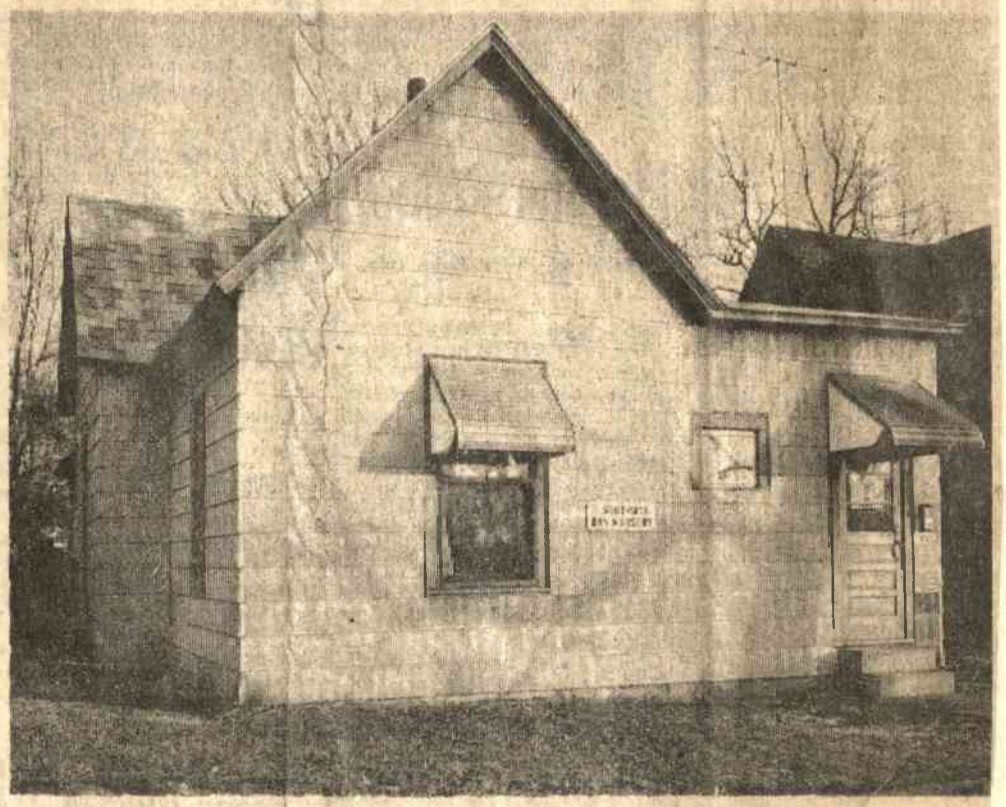
By MARY ANNE PIERCE
Tribune Staff Writer

A small, framed structure, covered with gray siding trimmed in green and neatly kept as 1320 S. 13½ St., has been described as a "beacon" for the development of day care centers for young children.

The center, which has opened its doors to young pre-school children continuously since 1908 in Terre Haute, serves as a guiding light for what is possible in the development of larger day care centers.

Aid Mothers

Presently the center cares for ten children, ages three to five, from low income families daily, permitting their mothers to work and help support their families. Since the mothers receive quite low wages, a place where they can leave their youngster at a low cost, with the assurance that he will be cared for, safe and well fed is very important.



MEETING NEEDS OF CHILDREN — This building houses the Southside Day Nursery today where care is given ten young children so their mothers can help support their families. The Southside Board of Directors is looking forward to the tomorrow when a new building is constructed to accommodate 75 to 80 children, making many families independent of welfare assistance. Photo by Martin.

Such a center assists taxpayers as well. If the mothers of the ten children had to stay home with them, they would be dependent on public assistance at a cost well over $10,000 a year to the taxpayers.

The center is permitted by state law to accommodate only the ten children due to the size of the building. A group of public spirited citizens plans to increase that number as soon as possible.

A committee formed from the general membership of the center's dedicated board of directors, and spearheaded by Arch Dunbar, has planned to expand the facilities at the nursery in order to care for 75 to 80 children.

Many hours of volunteer work have been contributed and construction plans for a new center have received the tentative approval of the Administrative Building Council of Indiana and the Department of Public Welfare. Minor changes in the plans have been recommended and are being made.

The board now owns six lots, cleared by the volunteer efforts of various labor unions, in the 1400 block on South 13th St., between Washington and Harrison Sts. This is where the new center will be built.

The next steps are to obtain formal approval of the building plans and financing.

According to Dr. Jan McCarthy, associate professor of elementary education at Indiana State University, who has carried the plans through miles of red tape in state agencies, it was originally decided to build the center with public donations. Since the plans have been greatly expanded, a check into the availability of federal funds is being made.

Dr. McCarthy has recently been named to serve on a state advisory commission on day care services by Governor Edgar D. Whitcomb. The commission is part of a new federal program known as the 4-C program (Committee for Coordinated Child Care) and federal monies may be available through this, according to her.

Arch Dunbar said the new building will cost between $79,000 and $96,000. He, too, is working on financing the center and has contacted Congressman John Myers and state officials to inquire into what funds are available.

The basic building, the shell, will cost $12,000. When completed it will accommodate the children according to state regulations, which specify how much space is allowed each child. Building plans also call for a visiting nurses' clinic, according to Dunbar, large kitchen, adequate restrooms, rooms suitable for each age group, heating plant and play area surrounded by a fence and divided into sections for both older and younger children.

The first nursery center was organized in 1908 by Mrs. Amanda Bishop and a group of older women. They called themselves the Colored Day Nursery Association. According to Mrs. Bessie Parks, president of the board, since there were so many low income, large families, young mothers were forced to go to work and it was left up to the older women to care for the children. The women hired a matron and charged five cents a day for each child. Often mothers who could not afford to pay brought food from home to do their share. There is no record of the number of children first cared for, according to Mrs. Parks, however, names of many present day southside families appear in early records.

The center was helped by the community and was a member of various city charities. During the depression, the women served lunches to school children to keep nursery doors open. Regular support came when the nursery became a United Fund agency (then known as Community Fund).

Since that time, the nursery has continued to receive assistance from the United Fund. Its present allotment is $6,100. It operates on an $8,000 budget with weekly fees from its patrons making up the difference.

With this money it continues to meet the very important needs of the young children enrolled and gives a helping hand to their parents.

Next in the series: The daily routine at the nursery.

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TWOFOLD BENEFITS—Not only do Indiana State University seniors have the opportunity to develop their classroom techniques at Southside Day Nursery, they also bring learning experiences to the children. Clustered around two ISU elementary majors, the children watch intently as the two students distribute materials for a work project. Photo by Martin.

ISU Students Spend 2 Hrs. Weekly at Day Care Nursery

Editor's Note: Third in a series of articles concerning the Southside Day Nursery. Indiana State University seniors share learning experiences with the young children enrolled at the school.

By MARY ANNE PIERCE
Tribune Staff Writer

An informal program established through Indiana State University classes in early childhood education is an asset to the Southside Day Nursery and its enrollees.

Senior students, with numerous laboratory and classroom teaching experiences behind them, are required to spend two hours per week at Southside. Many of them devote much of their free time to the nursery also.

Being at the day care center helps the students to develop their own teaching skills and gives them an opportunity to become involved individually with the nursery program.

Students are asked to complete various projects a the nursery by their ISU professors, according to Dr. Ruth Runke, professor of education, including art, music and games. They record why they are doing a particular project, first from the viewpoint of the child and how he enjoys it. Secondly, they record how the project assists the development of their own teaching skills.

All of the students will soon be licensed teachers themselves and Southside gives them one more type of experience before they have a class of their own. They go to the nursery after working at the laboratory school.

According to another professor at the university, students who normally resent any extra work outside of regular class assignments look forward to going to the nursery and nelping with the children.

The university students assist the children with language development, observe them as part of a group and individually. They use a variety of materials and equipment at the nursery.

On the whole, the program prepares them for the day when they, too, will be teachers and makes them aware of what they can do to help meet the needs of so many youngsters like the children at Southside.

Next: An educator's view of day care centers.

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Love of Children Inspires Day Care Center President

CHILDREN (WV)

By BARBARA L. BRUGNAUX
Tribune Staff Writer

A deep love of children led to Mrs. Bessie Parks' equally deep involvement with the Southside Day Nursery, a United Way agency currently situated at 1320 S. 13½ St.

As president of the 22-member board of directors, Mrs. Parks can trace the nursery's connection with a community campaign back to the 1930's and says the agency's dependence on UW support enables it to help children from the lower income brackets.

"Over 50 per cent of our operational budget comes from United Way, and we would like to be less dependent and more self-supporting," explained the petite chairman of the board," but we try to help children whose parents cannot afford the fees of more expensive schools and as long as we have this goal, we cannot depend on fees to support the nursery."

The school's fees are arranged on a sliding scale according to parents' income, with the maximum charge of $12 a week.

Nearing the end of a capital campaign to raise $50,000 toward construction of a new building, Mrs. Parks acknowledged that the new nursery will be even more dependent on UW support.

"Now, we are licensed for only 10 children, but in the new facility we should be able to have about 65, and that's quite a jump. We are planning to begin with 20, and then increase the enrollment over a period of several years because we think that is a more sensible approach."

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD of the Southside Day Nursery believes in personal involvement with the United Way agency. It is not an unusual occurrence for Mrs. Bessie Parks to visit the nursery and play with the pre-school-aged children or read to them. Listening attentively are Kim Lewis, Brent Lewis, Denise Smith, Derrick Forte and Lerena Forte. House of Photography Photo.

A member of the board for eight years, Mrs. Parks tries to volunteer her own time to help at the nursery.

"I've always loved young children, though I had none of my own, and the nursery seems a natural place to be. The children all know me, and I usually have to speak to each one of them when I go there but I enjoy it," she said quietly.

"What we really try to do with each child is to give him what a conscientious mother would give to him if she were home — physically, mentally

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What Women Are Doing

T.H. Jaycee Wives Give TV to Southside Nursery

Day Nurseries (T.H.)

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By Dorothy Clark
Tribune Woman's Editor

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ONE OF THE MOST active groups in the city are the members of the Terre Haute Jaycee Wives. In addition to assisting their husbands in the men's project of serving in the Deming Park concession stand, the women have completed several other community service projects.

Jaycee Wives have baked hundreds of dozens of cookies and frozen them in preparation for the Special Olympics, another project of the Jaycees.

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The group recently donated three rocking chairs for the lounge of the Vigo County Nursing Home.

Contacted by Mrs. Allen Guy, Director of the South Side Day Care Center, the Jaycee Wives learned of another need, a television set for the youngsters. This gift was presented to the Center and will be most enjoyed by the twelve children, ages three to five, being cared for presently five days a week, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., all year round. The purpose of the South Side Day Care Center is to care for children of working mothers.

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LEGION AUXILIARY INSTALLS OFFICERS

Krietenstein American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 104, will hold installation of 1973-74 officers on Wednesday, June 13, at the Post Home starting at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Norma (Charles) Smith will be installed as the new president with Mrs. Margaret (John) Penman, 6th District president, as the installing officer. Mrs. Penman will be assisted by Mrs. Lois (Raymond) Anglin.

Other officers to be installed with Mrs. Smith are: Mmes Margaret Royer, 1st vice president; Beatrice Griffith, 2nd vice president; Barbara Ragland, secretary; Madge Schiedemantle, treasurer; Letha Halberstadt,

Roll call will be answered with "What I enjoy most in my home." Mrs. Grace Fuson, president, will conduct the business meeting and installation of officers.

XI ALPHA'S ATTEND STATE DAY, JUNE 10

Members of Xi Alpha Exemplar Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority will attend the annual State Day Convention, this year to be held on June 10, at Ft. Wayne.

Delegates selected will be Jo Ann Johnson and Mrs. Florence Watkins. also attending will be Miss Ronda McGiosson, Miss Billie Frazer and Mrs. Pauline Gaut.

EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA ATTEND CONVENTION

The members of Gamma Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha are planning an enjoyable weekend at their state convention being held in Indianapolis. Attending as delegates are Mrs. Sharon Clark and Mrs. Cathy Clark.

Local member, Mrs. Jeannie

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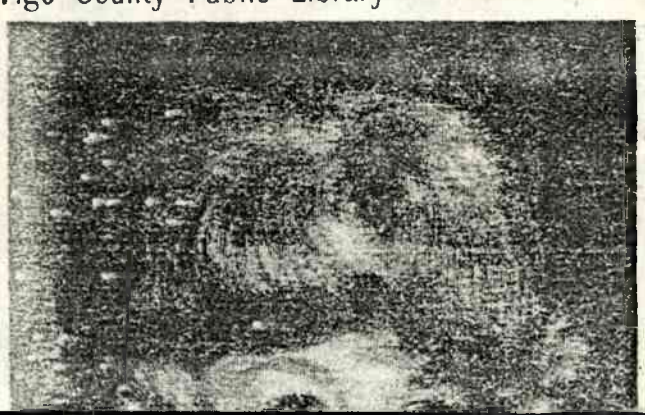

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